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JOB PRINTING.

Book and Job Printing of every description neatly executed. Terms, cash on delivery of the work.

Trade with Mexico.

It must always be with us a matter of the deepest interest to endeavor to open all possible avenues of trade with our port. We possess no ordinary advantages for extending indefinitely our commercial relations, but notwithstanding our success will mainly depend upon our own exertions. If we have in our favor the commanding influence of a free port system, we have also a powerful and well established rival to contend with. Notwithstanding all the difficulties San Francisco must have to struggle against, from an exorbitant tariff and heavy taxes, yet she has on her side all the superiority that abundant capital can give. The latter, however, is not absolutely beyond our reach. Both from the unemployed capital of England and the treasure that will be henceforth yielded up by our mines we are able to make use for our present deficiency in that respect. To attract hither foreign capital and furnish employment for our own, we must then be continually on the watch for opportunities for extending on every side our present trade. Much may we learn for this purpose from our neighbors in California. From the success of their efforts in that respect we may know how to give a proper direction to anything that we may undertake. Looking over Coleman & Co.'s *Annual Market Review*, one cannot fail to be struck with the number of channels which contribute to swell the foreign trade of San Francisco. The last year's tonnage of that port comprises vessels from the ports of twenty-two countries besides those from their own States. Running the eye over this list there are many places which would evidently be favorable fields for our trade. We will confine ourselves, however, to one or two in particular; as they, from their proximity to us, are more immediately under control. Under the head of Mexican trade given in the authority above quoted, we find that the exports from San Francisco to Mexico, during the last year, amounted to \$1,014,030; an increase of \$14,490 over those of 1860. Of the above amount some \$559,927 was the value of California produce, which leaves \$454,103 as the value of the foreign goods re-shipped. Again, if we examine the tonnage between San Francisco and Mexico coast, we find that it compares favorably even with that to Great Britain and to the Atlantic ports. To Mexico it was 17,303 tons, Great Britain 21,502, and to the Atlantic ports, 23,151. These figures will serve to show what a prominent position the Mexican trade occupies even under the adverse circumstances of intestine disturbances. It now becomes a question whether we could not manage to share this trade with California. In considering it we must not be anywise abashed at being forestalled by California, or at the improbability of our being able to compete with her in supplying what at present constitutes the largest branch of her Mexican export, and that is the produce of the State. It is precisely here that she stands upon the most precarious footing. The fact that Mexico can produce anything that California does at present, and, no doubt, would do so under a stable government, shows that it needs only the latter to deprive California of the benefits of an important item of her trade with that country. As to the other portion of her Mexican exports, that which consists of re-shipments, it needs no argument to convince one that we ought, from our position and our free port system, to be able to compete with her upon the most advantageous terms and with every hope of success. The absence of duties would enable us to send assorted cargoes of European and other manufactures and productions, and to sell them at as low, if not lower prices, than they could be sold by San Francisco merchants. Of course, all this cannot be done immediately. A good deal of our first efforts must be expended in making this port the depot for this neighborhood—including British Columbia and the neighboring Territory. At present we are only partially so, as will be evident when we consider that out of the \$2,195,903 worth of goods shipped to these colonies during the last year, only \$373,511 worth consisted of California produce. The balance, of course, was made up in good part of dutiable goods. Were our direct trade more fully developed this state of things would be completely reversed; and the last year has done a good deal towards producing a change in the proper direction. But apart from the advantages we must derive from our free port in a trade with Mexico, there are many articles of colonial produce which suit that market, such as lumber, shingles, coal, fire-bricks, which are now being manufactured on the island. A profitable trade might also be opened with cured fish, which is an article of extensive consumption in many southern Catholic countries. As to the return cargo, the principal item would, at least for a very long time, be specie. Some trade might be done in mineral ores, and by including Costa Rica—in coffee—both Mexican dollars must, after all, be the chief article. Through these, however, a very lucrative trade might be opened between this port and China. The whole subject is fraught with interest, and is well worthy of the earnest consideration of our commercial men. We have merely touched upon a few of the points that present themselves, with a view of calling attention to the locality preferred.

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BOOK-BINDERY!
Government st., in rear of Mr. Davis, Surgeon.
THE SUBSCRIBERS BEG to inform the inhabitants of Vancouver Island and British Columbia that they have opened a Book-binding Establishment, and are now prepared to execute all kinds of work in the line of their business. All orders will be executed with neatness and dispatch, on the most reasonable terms.
OTTO & MCKENZIE.

BRICK BUILDING
FOR SALE.
THE ROYAL CHARTER RESTAURANT, on Fort street, with Bakery, Ovens, and all the fixtures and Furniture complete, together with the freehold, is a most desirable and profitable business, and will be sold at a great bargain if applied for immediately.
MR. JOHN COLEMAN, Langley street.

TO LEASE—FOR A TERM OF YEARS.
THAT SACRED LOT, BELONGING to the Estate of the late J. D. Carroll, near the head of Pandora street, with Dwelling House, Stable, etc., is a high state of cultivation, and will be let on easy terms to a suitable tenant. For further particulars apply to J. D. Carroll's Saloon, Yates street.

Horse, Dray, and Harness, to be Sold.
WITH A GOOD DRAY BUSINESS, and a very suitable, steady man (Business price). Apply to J. C. RIDGE, Government street.

For Sale.
FIVE LOTS IN VICTORIA WEST, to be sold VERY CHEAP. If applied for immediately, the proceeds of which will be sent to our distressed countrymen in Lancashire. Apply to J. NAGLE & CO.

NOTICE.
A SPECIAL MEETING of VICTORIA LODGE No. 43 F.A.M. will be held at their Hall, on Langley street, on Wednesday Evening, January 28th, at 8 o'clock. By order of the W. M., JOHN P. BUCH, Secretary.

WANTED.
A SERVANT GIRL to DO GENERAL HOUSE WORK. Apply to MRS. SHOOLBRED, Fort street.

Cosmopolitan Livery and Sale Stable
PLASKITT & GLIDE,
SUCCESSORS TO JOHN PARKER.

THE UNDERMIND in the above Stable, taking the management of the under Stable, (on and after the 1st November) are determined to have nothing interrupted in their part to make it the MOST THOROUGH ESTABLISHMENT in the city.

AT THE LOWEST CASH PRICES.
Consignment of Goods by each arrival.
ADJOINING ST. NICHOLAS HOTEL.

WANTED.
By a highly respectable Englishman, a situation in a small family. Address, P. O. Box 100, Victoria. J28 91

WANTED.
A SURE for an infant's mouth. Apply at J28 1w

ROYAL EXCHANGE,
CORNER OF FORT AND BROAD STS.,
KEEP CONSTANTLY ON HAND A choice supply of Ales, Wines, Liquors and Cigars.
T. B. WILLIAMS.

THE BRITISH COLONIST
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CITY PROPERTY

Messrs. Franklin

Public Auction.

At their Salesrooms on Government street.

On MONDAY, 24th Feb., 1863.

At 12 o'clock, noon.

The following Desirable Property, viz:

City Lot No. 963, Yates street, near Cook st.

" " 976, Cor. Yates and Cook st.

" " 1061, Yates street, near Cook st.

—ALSO—

That Valuable Douglas street Lot, being

City Lot 73, Cor. of Douglas and Kane sts.

—ALSO—

The two-story Building on Government st., adjoining Messrs. Scarby & Moore's Druggists.

This is one of the few desirable business localities that can now be obtained in town, and is to be sold together with the lease of the land.

—ALSO—

Three subdivisions of Lot 1203, on Collinson st.

No. 1—having two frontages;

No. 2— " "

No. 3— " "

—ALSO—

City Lot 1202, adjoining the above;

" " 1201, " "

—ALSO—

One Five-Acre Lot, forming part of the Oak land Farm.

—ALSO—

City Lot 696, with House, &c., on Fisgard street, near St. John's Church.

—ALSO—

City Lot 818, on Yates street.

—ALSO—

City Lot 703, corner Blanchard and Herald streets;

" " 720, corner Blanchard and Herald streets;

" " 723, Chatham and Blanchard sts;

" " 605, Fisgard streets, betwixt Fort and Douglas streets.

—ALSO—

North Park street Lots.

Lot No. 45 North Park street;

" " 46 " "

—ALSO—

50 Acres of Land, Victoria District

SECTIONS LV AND LVI.

Adjoining the Cedar Hill Road.

This fine property is well fenced in with a Residence upon it.

—ALSO—

At South Saanich.

Those two fine Sections of Land at South Saanich, being Nos. VII and VIII, 1 East.

Part of these Lots contain beautiful Prairie Land.

A liberal credit will be given on the above Property.

Deeds of Sale at buyer's expense. J28

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AUCTION.

TO-MORROW,

THURSDAY, Jan. 29,

At 11 o'clock, A. M.,

J. A. McCREA,

WILL SELL

AT HIS SALESROOM,

For acct. of whom it may concern,

Damaged

ON VOYAGE OF IMPORTATION.

Ex "Rosedale:"

N over double triangle, B inside, V under—

No. 501—Tea Pots, Coffee Pots, Tea

Kettles, French Caffetiere, Gravy

Strainers, Pepper and Flour

Boxes, Basins and Ewers, Wash-

stands, Cash Boxes, Lanterns,

Buttons, Chimnies and Dish

Covers.

No. 502—9 Folding Bedsteads, 3

Stretcher Bedsteads,

No. 503—2 Counter Weighing Machines

Copied Machine, Brushes,

Corks, Scrapers.

No. 504—Brooms and Brushes, and

Candlesticks, Powder Flasks,

Measuring Tapes, Curry Combs

and Corks.

Nos. 505, 506, 507—Spades & Shovels.

No. 508—Tea and Coffee Pots, Camp

Kettles, Corks.

No. 509—Hatchets, Tomahawks, Axes,

Adzes, Gold Picks, Handles.

No. 510—Frying Pans, Round Kettles,

Water Bowls, Wash Basins,

Trays, Candlesticks.

Nos. 511, 512, 513—Galvanized Iron

Buckets.

No. 514—Gold Scales, Bankers Scales,

Files, Table and Tea Spoons, Ink-

stands, Whips, Knives and Forks,

Carvers, Razors, Brushes, Rules,

Needles, Combs, Tensets, Cork

Screws, Key Rings, Scissors, Razor

Strops, Pocket Knives, Fish Hooks,

Butcher Knives, Sample Cards of

Callery, &c.

No. 515—Lamps, Wicks, and Chimnies.

No. 516—Hammers, Pincers, Com-

passes, Sardine Openers.

No. 517—Pans, Baking and Pudding

Dishes, Tin Bowls and Plates, Oil

Fenders, Porcelain's Hall Lamps,

Nutmeg Graters, Candle Sticks, Tea

Bells, Brushes, Camp Kettles, Corks.

—ALSO—IN ORDER—

TOBACCO!

1 cases Sweet Tobacco;

1 " Twist Tobacco;

7 " English Pickles, in Pints;

2 " Dried Herbs;

10 " English Cheese;

California Bacon, Eastern Bacon, Pork,

Candles, Lard, Larders Butter, Brandy

Cherries, Soap, Peaches, in glass,

Dried Apples, Tea, Crushed Sugar,

Curants, Hard Bread, Tomato Cat-

sup, Corn Starch, Shoulders, Beef,

Pipe Stems.

—ALSO—

Saloon Pictures!

12 Beautiful French Engravings.

J28

SATURDAY, Jan. 31,

